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Assistant Director for Operations

Chief, FBI

Report on Interference from FCC Engineer

For your information, this office has received through Federal Communications Commission a report from one of its engineers stating that while off duty he had observed over a period of several days, presumably about 1 October 1947, that U. S. transmitters broadcasting by shortwave the proceedings of the United Nations were rendered unintelligible by interference during portions of their transmission. The interference occurred, however, only while remarks unfavorable to the Soviet Union were in progress, and had all the characteristics of the "QRM" used by the Moscow radio to jam enemy broadcasts during the war.

An inexperienced observer might easily read intentional jamming into fortuitous interference from diathermy apparatus or other sources, but the position and service record of this engineer lend credibility to his report.

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